Constitution of Leather Industries Board

319. **Sri G. DUGGAPPA** (Bharamasagar).—

Will the Minister for Industries, Information and Publicity be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to have a Leather Industries Board constituted for the Development of Leather Industry in the State;

(*b*) whether the Director of Industries and Commerce has submitted any proposal in this behalf;

(*c*) if so, the details of the proposals and when the Government would constitute that Board ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA (Deputy Minister for Industries).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply furnished to clause (*a*).

(*c*) Does not arise.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—Leather Industry is one of the important industries. The Government have constituted Handloom Board, Woollen Board and Coir Board. May I know whether the Government in the interest of leather industry, will constitute a similar Board ?

† **Sri A. P. APPANNA.**—There is one Board called the Mysore Small Scale Industries Advisory Board which looks after the matter of all the industries which come under the term " small-scale industry." Leather industry will mainly come under the small scale industry. In this Board there is a sub-committee to look after coir industry There is no coir Board as such. We will consider to have a sub-committee of the Advisory Board to take up matters concerning the leather industry.

Sri J. P. SARWESH.—This leather Board helps particularly the scheduled castes. As Government is very much interested in uplifting the scheduled castes, will they consider forming this Board because such Boards are formed in Andhra Pradesh and other States ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—I have already stated that if the purpose will be served by having a sub-committee under the Small-Scale Industries Board, we will do that. Or if the Government after consideration thinks that there must be a separate Board we will think of it because the quantum of production should be such as to justify the existence of the Board. We will take into account the production of leather industry in the entire State and if a sub-committee is not sufficient and if production is more, we will think of a separate Board.

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